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PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: 02307E-114910US  
Client Ref. No.: UC Case No. 2001-124-2

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

ZUKER and ZHANG

Application No.: 10/026,188

Filed: December 21, 2001

For: ASSAYS FOR TASTE RECEPTOR  
CELL SPECIFIC ION CHANNEL

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 9521

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Technology Center/Art Unit: 1646

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 30, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition to extend time to respond for two months, from February 28, 2005, to April 30, 2005, is filed herewith.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.